

At the Regular Meeting of the Greenville County Board of Supervisors, held on Monday, March 5, 2012, with Budget Session beginning at 1:00 P.M., Closed Session beginning at 5:00 P.M., and Regular Session beginning at 6:00 P.M., in the Board Room of the Greenville County Government Building, 1781 Greenville County Circle, Emporia, Virginia.

Present        Peggy R. Wiley, Chairman  
                 Michael W. Ferguson, Vice-Chairman  
                 James C. Vaughan  
                 Dr. Margaret T. Lee

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In Re: Chairman Wiley called the Budget Session to order at 1:00 p.m.

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In Re: Budget Session

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In Re: Pam Lifsey, Information on Delinquent Tax Collection/FY2013 Budget Request

Mr. Whittington stated that there was a great deal of discussion at the last meeting concerning delinquent taxes, the amount owed to Greenville County and what methods were use to collect delinquent taxes.

Mrs. Lifsey stated that the personal property taxes owed from 2005 to 2011, totaled \$520,156.19. She also stated that the real estate taxes owed from 2001 to 2011, totaled \$316,131.39, together totaling \$836,287.58. Mrs. Lifsey then stated that there were a number of resources used to collect taxes such as set off debt, DMV Stop, and she wanted her office to work on getting judgments against those people who owed back taxes. She stated that there was a five year window to collect personal property which was the reason for getting judgments on taxes owed starting this year because it increased their capabilities of collecting taxes. Mrs. Lifsey also stated that judicial sales on property delinquent for two years were preformed the past couple of years and another sale was scheduled for this year. She stated that in the past, the Treasurer's Office had a third party/collection company trying to collect delinquent taxes but had no success because the office was spending more time collecting taxes and paying the third party in fees more than what was being collected.

Mr. Whittington then reviewed each line item regarding the Treasurer's budget for FY2013. Staff's recommendation was to change the amount budgeted for Professional Service: VEC/DIT from \$1350 to \$1000 because nothing was spent the past couple of years.

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In Re: SRJA, Lance Forsythe

Mr. Whittington stated appropriated in this year's budget was \$619,939 and Staff was recommending \$925,370. He then stated that the Board had been briefed regarding the reason for the increase in the SRJ budget. He then introduced Mr. Forsythe to explain.

Mr. Forsythe gave the Board of Supervisors a handout regarding the jail. He stated one of the questions answered in the package was why the locality's contribution to the jail was going up. He stated the answer was that the major source of revenue from Brunswick County inmates already housed in Greenville were being taken away due to the new jail being completed in July 2012 in Alberta. He stated that in addition to that, the jail had incurred \$68,000 in cost associated with VRS. Mr. Forsythe stated that beginning in 2009, the jail had a long series of cuts made by the General Assembly and the Compensation Board of about \$1.5 million. He stated that the last eight people hired was being paid by the Comp Board only and would not be any revenue to the County if it was to let go of the last hired officers.

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In Re: Alice Whitby, Personnel Issues

Mrs. Whitby addressed the Board of Supervisors stating that the Health Insurance quotes had been received from Anthem Blue Cross/Blue Shield for the plans currently offered to the employees. She stated that last year there was a 7% increase and this year it was a 5.1% increase. She stated that Staff was recommending offering both plans to the employees.

Supervisor Ferguson moved, seconded by Supervisor Lee, to offer both plans to the employees. Voting aye: Supervisors Ferguson, Lee, Vaughan and Chairman Wiley.

Mrs. Whitby also discussed the Group Life Insurance and VRS. She stated that VRS increased from 11.78 percent to 15.45 percent which was an increase of \$132,097. She also stated that the Group Life Insurance increased from .28 percent to 1.32 percent which was \$37,000 extra per year. Mrs. Whitby stated that the Health Insurance credit was a decrease from .08 percent to .07 percent which was \$373 savings. She stated that all totaled \$197,917 of an increase.

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In Re: Rick Franklin, G/E Airport

Mr. Franklin stated that Staff was requesting \$60,000 for operations and \$2,400 Truck School rent from each local government. He stated that the capital project to resurface the Airport runway would cost \$3 million but fortunately it would be constructed with grant funds including \$60,000 in local matching funds provided by the Secretary of Transportation because of the Navy's interest in the Airport.

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In Re: Lin Pope, Planning and Community Development

Mr. Whittington reviewed each line item of the Planning's budget stating that a like amount was being requested as last year.

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In Re: Lin Pope, Street Lights

Mr. Whittington stated that Staff was recommending a like amount in the budget as last year except for electrical service installation decreasing from \$1,200 to \$900.

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In Re: Richard Short, EGRA

Mr. Short addressed the Board of Supervisors stating that he was the newly elected President of the EGRA.

Mr. Whittington stated that budgeted for last year was \$51,049 and the request for this year was \$50,049. Mr. Short then gave a status report of the programs held at the EGRA.

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In Re: Richard Short, GVRS

Mr. Short stated that during the last meeting, there was a question concerning what the organization was doing with the current billing funds. He gave the Board information showing a break down on how the billing funds were being used and explained it to the Board. He stated that the projected billing income was \$100,000.

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In Re: Dave Whittington, Administration's Budget

Mr. Whittington reviewed the budget stating that the budget was for a like amount as last year except for Professional Services line item; the request was for \$16,000 which included \$10,000 for a Pay Plan Study and Staff was recommending \$6,000, postponing the Pay Plan Study until later, Travel and Training, the request was for \$10,000 and Staff was recommending \$7,000. He stated that the change came about due to some personnel changes.

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In Re: Reggie Owens, Animal Control

Mr. Whittington reviewed the budget stating that Staff was recommending a like amount as last year.

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In Re: Angela Beechy, Department of Social Services

Ms. Beechy, Director of Social Services addressed the Board and gave background information. She then turned it over to Jim Oliver who had been the Interim Director. Mr. Oliver addressed the Board stating that there were two supplemental requests other than the flat funding. He stated that the supplemental requests involved (1) VRS changes to occur and (2) positions. Mr. Oliver gave a status report on the workload that had increased along with requests from the more citizens requesting help regarding the Tanf and Food Stamp Program.

Mr. Whittington stated that appropriated in this year's total budget was \$220,777 and Staff was recommending a total budget of \$256,771.

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In Re: Mr. Whittington, Finance's Budget

Mr. Whittington reviewed the budget stating that Staff recommended a like amount as last year except for the following: Professional Services-Audit from \$17,000 to \$18,000, Professional Services from \$6,000 to \$1,000, Professional Services – ADP from \$2,000 to \$500, Professional Services – Cost Allocation from \$7,000 to \$12,000, Professional Services – GASB \*45 from \$2,000 to \$0, Postal Services from \$1,500 to \$1,800, Travel & Training from \$5,000 to \$1,000, Dues and Associations from \$500 to \$450, City Bill: Year End Adjustment from \$12,000 to \$10,000 and FY12 Reimbursement to State from \$88,000 to \$85,000

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In Re: Chris Vaughan, Information Technology

Mr. Whittington stated that Staff recommended the following: Professional Services from \$16,000 last year to \$16,831 this year, Maintenance Contracts from \$8,200 last year to \$9,350 this year, Travel & Training from \$375 last year to \$1,400 this year and ADP Training from \$250 last year to \$0 this year.

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In Re: Ms. Hooker, ODEMSA

Ms. Hooker addressed the Board of Supervisors stating that she was requesting 10% of the Four for Life funding because Old Dominion shared in the coordination of services and training of the Rescue Squad EMS.

Mr. Whittington stated that the request would be passed on to Richard Short, President of the GVRs.

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In Re: Katherine Howerton, GIS

Mr. Whittington stated that Staff recommended level funding for next year.

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In Re: Mr. Whittington, Greenville County Board of Supervisors' Budget

Mr. Whittington stated that Staff recommended level funding except for the following: Public Office Liability Insurance from \$5,500 this year to \$5,400 for next year, Travel & Training from \$3,750 this year to \$3,500 next year, Dues and Associations from \$4,000 this year to \$3,200 next year and Office Supplies from \$2,500 this year to \$3,000 next year.

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In Re: Mr. Whittington, County Attorney's Budget

Mr. Whittingtons stated that Staff recommended level funding except for the following: Professional Services from \$74,000 this year to \$70,000 next year and Supplemental Legal Services from \$10,000 this year to \$25,000 next year.

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In Re: Dorothy Kea, Registrar

Mr. Whittington stated that Staff recommended level funding except for the following: Cont. Services: Elections from \$8,500 this year to \$12,300 next year and Postal Service from \$1,000 this year to \$750 for next year.

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In Re: Peter Hunt, Southside Virginia Community College

Mr. Whittington stated that the request was for \$2,753 and Staff was recommending \$3,185.

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In Re: David Sledge, Building & Grounds

Mr. Whittington reviewed the following: Maintenance Contracts from \$44,794 this year to \$44,800 next year, Electricity from \$42,600 this year to \$48,700 next year, Heating from \$26,000 this year to \$15,000 for next year, Water and Sewer from \$3,565 this year to \$3,800 next year, Telecommunications from \$11,600 this year to \$10,000 next year, Office Supplies from \$200 this year to \$100 next year, Housekeeping Supplies from \$7,800 this year to \$7,000 for next year, Vehicle Supplies from \$11,655 this year to \$12,400 next year.

Mr. Whittington also reviewed the Budget for the Greenville County Government Building as follows: Monitoring fees from \$825 this year to \$1,275 for next year, Temporary Help from \$0 this year to \$225 for next year, Repair & Maintenance Service from \$19,440 this year to \$17,000 for next year, Maintenance Contracts from \$23,820 this year to \$29,820 next year, Electricity from \$47,000 this year to \$52,000 next year, Telecommunications from \$30,600 this year to \$25,000 next year, Insurance Vehicles from \$2,000 to \$2,250 for next year, Lease of Equipment from \$3,000 this year to \$2,500 next year, Uniform Rental from \$3,000 this year to \$3,200 next year, Housekeeping Supplies from \$7,000 this year to \$8,690 next year and Repair & Maintenance Supplies from \$19,180 this year to \$14,800 for next year.

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In Re: Natalie Slate, Phase III Education Center

Mrs. Slate stated that in Phase I of the Education Center there was a Resource Room that was turned into a small office. She stated that it was originally built for testing of incoming students. Mrs. Slate stated that since Mr. Butler with Longwood University was now there, they did not have office space, so Mr. Butler started using that office and had pretty much been permanent there. She stated that the Education Center Staff would like to have a work/copy room across from that office because the room across the hall was not utilized. Mrs. Slate stated that Staff would like to remove the cabinet and install a glass door for Mr. Butler to use that office as his office and go back to testing in the original room until Mr. Butler moved into Phase III. She stated that SVCC had agreed to pay for everything if the Board approved the change.

Supervisor Ferguson moved, seconded by Supervisor Lee to approve Mrs. Slate's request. Voting aye: Supervisors Ferguson, Lee, Vaughan and Chairman Wiley.

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In Re: Stacy Gray, Boys and Girls Club

Mrs. Gray requested \$31,563 for the Boys and Girls club located in the Old Armory Building, and \$58,400 for the new location in Washington Park. Mr. Whittington stated that Staff recommended level fund of \$30,750 for the Old Armory Building and \$40,000 for the Washington Park Facility.

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Mrs. Wiley recessed the meeting.

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Mrs. Wiley reconvened the meeting in Closed Session.

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In Re: Closed Session

Mr. Whittington, County Administrator, stated that Staff recommended the Board go into Closed Session, Section 2.2-3711 (a) 1) Personnel, 3) Acquisition and Disposition of Real Property and 7) Legal Matters.

Supervisor Ferguson moved, seconded by Supervisor Vaughan, to go into Closed Session, as recommended by Staff. Voting aye: Supervisors Ferguson, Lee, Vaughan and Chairman Wiley.

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In Re: Regular Session

Supervisor Ferguson moved, seconded by Supervisor Lee, to go into Regular Session. Voting aye: Supervisors Ferguson, Lee, Vaughan and Chairman Wiley.

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In Re: Certification of Closed Meeting – Resolution #12-101

Supervisor Ferguson moved, seconded by Supervisor Vaughan, to adopt the following Resolution. A roll call vote was taken, as follows: Supervisor Ferguson, aye; Supervisor Lee, aye; Supervisor Vaughan, aye; and Chairman Wiley, aye.

**RESOLUTION #12-101**  
**CERTIFICATION OF CLOSED MEETING**

**WHEREAS**, the Greenville County Board of Supervisors has convened a closed meeting on this date pursuant to an affirmative recorded vote and in accordance with the provision of the Virginia Freedom of Information Act; and

**WHEREAS**, Section 2.2-3712 of the Code of Virginia requires a certification by the Greenville County Board of Supervisors that such closed meeting was conducted in conformity with Virginia law:

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Greenville County Board of Supervisors hereby certifies that, to the best of each member's knowledge, (i) only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements by Virginia law were discussed in the closed meeting to which this certification resolution applies, and (ii) only such public business matters as were identified in the motion convening the closed meeting were heard, discussed or considered by the Greenville County Board of Supervisors.

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Chairman Wiley recessed the meeting.

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Chairman Wiley reconvened the meeting at 6:00 p.m.

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In Re: Approval of Agenda

Mr. Whittington stated that Staff recommended approval of the Agenda.

Supervisor Ferguson moved, seconded by Supervisor Vaughan, to approve the Agenda as submitted. Voting aye: Supervisors Ferguson, Lee, Vaughan and Chairman Wiley.

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In Re: Angela Beechy, Director of the Department of Social Services

Supervisor Ferguson read a press release giving a brief history/introduction of Ms. Beechy's background.

Ms. Beechy addressed the Board stating that she had been on the job for three days and was looking forward to serving Greenville County and the City of Emporia.



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In Re: Introduction of New Employees

Mrs. Whitby requested that Tricia Lewis, Judy Daughtry and Patricia Frazier come forward. She then introduced Ms. Lewis as the County's new Receptionist/Office Assistant, Mrs. Daughtry as the Part-time Deputy I in the Commissioner's Office and Mrs. Frazier as the Deputy II, Fiscal Assistant in the Treasurer's Office.

The Board of Supervisors welcomed the three new employees.

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In Re: Organizational Changes

Mr. Whittington requested that Mrs. Whitby, Mrs. Parson, Mr. Owens and Mrs. Slate come forward.

He then introduced Mrs. Whitby as the Finance Supervisor, Mrs. Parson as the Deputy County Administrator/Director of Administrative Services, Mr. Owens as the Program Administrator who would be overseeing the Landfill and Mrs. Slate as Deputy County Administrator/Director of Economic Development.

The Board of Supervisors congratulated the four on their promotions.

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In Re: Approval of Consent Agenda

Mr. Whittington stated that Staff recommended approval of the Consent Agenda.

Supervisor Lee moved, seconded by Supervisor Ferguson, to approve the Consent Agenda containing the following items.

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Minutes from the Meeting of February 21, 2012.

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Budgetary Matters consisting of the following: Fund #001 – Journal Voucher #57, in the amount of \$60.00, Budget Amendment Resolution #12-102, in the amount of \$7,484.96, Budget Amendment Resolution #12-103, in the amount of \$103,916.78, Budget Amendment Resolution #12-104, in the amount of \$2,379.76; Fund #012 – Budget Amendment Resolution #12-105, in the amount of \$4,528.48; Fund #013 – Budget Amendment Resolution #12-106, in the amount of

\$132.40 and Fund #018 – Budget Amendment Resolution #12-107, in the amount of \$465.00, all of which are incorporated herein by reference.

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Warrants:

Approval of Accounts Payable for March 5, 2012, in the amount of \$283,877.65

Approval of Payroll for February 29, 2012, in the amount of \$344,481.75

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In Re: Public Hearing

Mr. Whittington recommended the Board of Supervisors go into Public Hearing to solicit comments regarding the Conveyance of Real Property to the Community Youth Center.

Supervisor Ferguson moved, seconded by Supervisor Lee, to go into Public Hearing. Voting aye: Supervisors Ferguson, Lee, Vaughan and Chairman Wiley.

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In Re: Conveyance of Real Property to the Community Youth Center

Mr. Whittington stated that the Public Hearing was being held to transfer real property located at the Community Youth Center back to the Community Youth Center. He stated that it was parcel number 103-A-3 in the land records. He also stated that it was property that Greenville County accepted title to about 25-30 years ago when there was a grant project involving the Community Youth Center. Mr. Whittington stated that the Community Youth Center was requesting the real estate back and that there was a moral obligation by the Board of Supervisors to return the property.

Chairman Wiley asked if there were any comments or questions. There were none.

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In Re: Return to Regular Session

Mr. Whittington recommended the Board return to Regular Session.

Supervisor Ferguson moved, seconded by Supervisor Lee, to return to Regular Session. Voting aye: Supervisors Ferguson, Lee, Vaughan and Chairman Wiley.

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In Re: Conveyance of Real Property to the Community Youth Center

Supervisor Ferguson moved, seconded by Supervisor Lee, to convey the property back to the Community Youth Center. Voting aye: Supervisors Ferguson, Lee, Vaughan and Chairman Wiley.

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In Re: Citizens Comments

Mr. Whittington stated that anyone wishing to address the Board of Supervisors now had the opportunity to do so. He asked that they come forward and state their name for the record. There was no one.

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In Re: Blanks Lane Project

Mr. Moses Clements, Director of Engineering, addressed the Board of Supervisors stating that the item would also appear on the Authority's agenda. He stated that at the direction of the Board of Supervisors, Staff had been investigating the provision of a grant project to provide public water service to the Blanks Lane community. He then stated that Staff had determined that the County was not eligible to apply for the March 2012 Competitive round of VHCD funding. He stated that the County was currently at its maximum grant amount of \$2.5 million. Mr. Clements stated that Staff had found another pool of funds that was available through the Community Development Block Program called Construction Ready Funding. He stated that the program had approximately \$1 million for the calendar year of 2012 and the funds could be applied for at any time. He further stated that Staff was expecting to close the CDBG project within the next 60-90 days which would give some money underneath the funding cap. Mr. Clements stated that the construction funding would require two public hearings, one of which had already been held, and required a minimum of 65% of the project area households sign a water user agreement. He stated that lastly and most importantly, the County and/or Authority would be required to fund a portion of the project and Staff had calculated the out of pocket expenditure to be approximately \$55,000. Mr. Clements stated that Staff requested that the Board of Supervisors take action to approve the submission of the application for construction ready funds and approve the budget for the project.

Supervisor Lee moved, seconded by Supervisor Ferguson, to approve the submission of the application and the project budget. Voting aye: Supervisors Ferguson, Lee, Vaughan and Chairman Wiley.

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In Re: Employee Health Insurance for FY2012-2013

Mr. Whittington stated that the Employee Health Insurance item had been taken care of as part of the budget session held at 1:00 p.m.

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In Re: Miscellaneous Matters

Various Departmental Reports and Staff Work Programs were prepared for the Board's review and comments.

Chairman Wiley asked if anyone had any questions. There were none.

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In Re: Adjournment

With there being no further business, Supervisor Ferguson moved, seconded by Supervisor Vaughan, to adjourn the meeting until March 19, 2012 at 12:00 p.m. Voting aye: Supervisors Ferguson, Lee, Vaughan and Chairman Wiley.

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Peggy R. Wiley, Chairman

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K. David Whittington, Clerk